COCHIN HARBOUR—TALLY CLERKS—APPOINTMENT OF

7. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the Government is aware that the Harbour Administrative Officer had notified in the *Madras Dailies* under date 5th June 193 that he is in need of eight qualified tally clerks, who have to join duty not later than the 15th July 1939;

(*b*) whether these appointments are made;

(*c*) if not, why;

(*d*) if the answer to (*b*) is in the affirmative, will the Government be pleased to furnish a caste-war statement of the appointments made?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) & (*c*) The appointments have not been made, on account of the delay caused in the opening of the "Harbour Terminus".

(*d*) Does not arise.

FURNITURE, ETC.—TALAPPALLI MAGISTRATE'S COURT—INSUFFICIENCY OF

8. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of chairs and benches in the Court hall of the Talappalli Magistrate placed for use of the members of the bar;

(*b*) when were these chairs made; are these chairs at present in such a condition as may be used with safety and comfort by the members of the bar;

(*c*) whether any fan (punka) is provided for, for the members of the bar, in the Court hall;

(*d*) whether the District Magistrate has visited the Talappalli Magistrate's Court at any time in 1114 or 1115;

(*e*) whether the District Magistrate or any officer for that matter, who had occasion to visit the above Court has not remarked that the Court hall of the Talappalli Magistrate is very inadequately furnished and that the articles of furniture kept there are not in keeping with the dignity of a Court;

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(*f*) whether the Government have sanctioned any amount in 1114 or 1115 for the purchase of articles of furniture for this Court; if so, what amount?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government)*:

(*a*) 12 chairs and 2 benches.

(*b*) These were supplied in the years 1105, 1107, 1109 and 1112. Some of the chairs are reported to be in a bad condition.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) No.

(*f*) No specific provision has been made for this Court. An allotment of Rs. 100 was sanctioned under "Furniture" for the whole department for each of the years 1114 and 1115."

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli)*: May I know how many chairs are reported to be in a bad condition?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government)*: There is no mention of the specific number of the chairs. The District Magistrate reported that a few chairs have been repaired. But he also reported that, if necessary, the question will be considered this year. As a matter of fact all the chairs, referred to be in a bad condition, were repaired and the question of renewal will also be considered.

LADIES—APPOINTMENT OF—HUZUR SECRETARIAT

9. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether there is any Government order or rule or convention that no lady shall be appointed in the Huzur Secretariat staff;

(*b*) if the answer to sub-division (*a*) is in the negative, why is it that the Staff Selection Board have not appointed any lady in the Huzur Secretariat staff;

(*c*) whether any or all of the lady applicants to the Staff Selection Board has specified in their applications that they should not be appointed in the Huzur Secretariat;

(*d*) if the answer to sub-division (*c*) above is in the negative, whether the Government be pleased to

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